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In re Application of

Teruna Siahaan et al

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Attorney Docket No.: 23902-7902

: PETITION DECISION

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed January 2, 2004, for withdrawal of abandonment of the above identified application based on filing of a timely reply.

A review of the file history shows that the examiner mailed a Final Office action to applicants on March 11, 2003, setting a three month shortened statutory period for reply. Applicants filed a reply on May 16, 2003. On June 2, 2003, the examiner mailed an Advisory Action to applicants indicating entry of the amendment. Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on September 11, 2003. No extension of time was filed with the Notice of Appeal and applicants stated that no reply to the amendment submitted on May 16, 2003, had been received. It is noted that the amendment filed May 16, 2003, was filed by the above attorney, however no new Power of Attorney or change of correspondence address was submitted. Therefore the Advisory Action was properly mailed to the address of record in the Office, Hovey, Williams... in Kansas City, Mo. Thus contrary to applicants' assertions, a reply to the amendment was made. Therefore the filing of the Notice of Appeal was untimely. In consequence thereof the application became abandoned by operation of law on June 12, 2003. A new Power of Attorney was not submitted by the above attorney until September 23, 2003. The application remains in an abandoned status. The mailing of a Notice of Rescinded Abandonment was in error and should be ignored.

The petition is **DENIED** for the reasons set forth above.

The application will be retained in storage. This application may be revived under 37 CFR 1/137(b) by filing a petition to the Office of Petitions.

Should there be any questions about this decision please contact William R. Dixon, Jr., by letter addressed to Director, TC 1600, at the address listed above, or by telephone at 703-272-0519 or by facsimile sent to the general Office facsimile number.

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